

Comments from "Feedback for the Principal" 2001/02

"We feel you've done such an excellent job during your first year as principal of Floral Street! I just want to compliment you on the letters you've written for the school newsletter. They are excellent! Somehow you've managed to interest the dads as well as the moms! We look forward to reading more next year. Thanks for doing such an excellent job! P.S. Thank you for your constant and enthusiastic support of the Fun Run as well!

"I think that Joe does a great job making the school environment and being part of it."

"When my friend passed away Mr. Sawyer let the parents know how delicate the situation was. I was impressed by the way he addressed the issue to the young 4th and 5th graders."

"We came to this area in December, so we were new to Floral St. School. My son felt comfortable right away. I was pleased with the atmosphere and the staff and have continued to feel that way. I think you and the entire staff are doing a terrific job. Keep up the good work!"

"I think you have done an excellent job in a very difficult year. I bet you'll always remember this 1st year. Keep up the good, positive work, Floral is an excellent community to thrive in."

"The thing that impressed me the most didn't even affect my child. It was the manner in which you dealt with the fifth grade boys who wanted to play football at recess. Not only did you take the time to listen openly to them, but you also made them accountable. I look forward to many more years at Floral under your leadership."

"I am happy to have Joe Sawyer as principal at Floral Street School. Keep up the great work!! Thank you."

"Joe Sawyer is a professional, caring person and principal; he makes parents and children feel very comfortable and at ease. We think he did a great job as both vice principal and principal. Floral School and Shrewsbury is very lucky. We will miss him next year going off to Middle School."

"I was very impressed with the professionalism, compassion and concern as well as action taken by the school administration during the attack on America on Sept. 11/01. I feel very privileged to have my children at this school" (also made comments that the 5th Grade Celebration should be promoted better and explained what it is all about to parents in a clearer manner).

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"Mr. Sawyer was the best thing that happened to Shrewsbury. I wish we could clone Mr. Sawyer and put one in the Middle and High School."

"We are moving from Shrewsbury to Maryland this summer. I feel so fortunate that all three of our children attended Floral. You were an excellent asst. principal and a superb principal. Thank you for your dedication to the students."

"I was very impressed with your first year at Floral. We look forward to many more."

"You are an excellent principal Joe!."

Added to question 5 - "Although seems unapproachable at times."

"I think Mr. Sawyer may be a little too serious at times - you need to smile and laugh more - I think you enjoy your job but may have a hard time reflecting that. Parents are not kids - at times you seem to treat them the same way. It seems like you like your job - enjoy it more."

"Mr. Sawyer seems to be a strong school leader."

"I think you've been doing a great job. I do have concerns about your workload for next year. I'm worried that you will have a difficult year dividing your responsibilities between Floral and the Middle School. Best of luck."

"Please continue to challenge the kids to want and work at a respectful environment. Please focus on safety and proper behavior in the halls and cafeteria, as well as classrooms."

"Thank you for creating a safe and respectful environment for our children to learn in."

"Excellent role model and leader. Thank you!"

"This was our family's first year at Floral. We were very happy with our school year. It was a very easy transition from the caring environment of Beal to the equally caring and nurturing community at Floral. Thank you for all the support you offer the families."

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" We are very pleased with the way you have run the school and handled the tough issues facing the growth of the town. We hope that the satellite program for the 5th graders goes well for the next two years. Please do not hesitate to ask the help of parents. There are a lot of parents willing to help ensure that the 5th graders have a safe an memorable year as 5th graders at the middle school. Our son, as well as many others, like you very much. You are an excellent role model for all the children, and parents! You are a great asset to Floral and we hope you stay for many more years!. Thank you very much for your hard work."

"I did not work with Mr. Sawyer enough to understand his personal areas at development and improvement. Not only does the principal set the spiritual tone of the faculty, but also the student body. Mr. Sawyer has accomplished that, and must continue to do so for the sake of the children. Keep doing what you're doing. Nice job!"